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**\$15,000 Settlement Reached with Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P.**

Los Angeles --- The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) today announced a \$15,000 settlement with Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. (Kinder Morgan) for hazardous waste violations at its facility located at 404 E. Noffsinger Road in Calipatria. Kinder Morgan owns and operates a liquid fuel storage facility at the site.

Under terms of the Consent Order (Order), signed on April 22, 2004, Kinder Morgan will pay \$15,000 in administrative penalties to DTSC. A copy of the Order formalizing the settlement is available on the DTSC website at

[http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Kinder\\_Morgan/Kinder\\_Morgan\\_ENF\\_CO.pdf](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Kinder_Morgan/Kinder_Morgan_ENF_CO.pdf)

The settlement stems from violations noted by DTSC inspectors during a June 4, 2001 inspection of the facility. The DTSC inspector cited Kinder Morgan for unauthorized storage of hazardous waste and causing the disposal of hazardous waste to an unauthorized area.

Kinder Morgan has corrected all violations listed in the Order.

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**The Department of Toxic Substances Control's mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.**